(*b*) of those grant-in-aid *Vaidyasalas* inspected this year, how many were found to be not functioning properly; and

(*c*) what action has been taken in respect of those found to be not working properly?

RAO BAHADUR DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) It is not possible to give the information unless a particular period is specified.

(*b*) Certain irregularities were noticed in the case of two *Vaidyasalas*.

(*c*) The Inspector has fined the *Vaidyans* concerned.

Levy of income tax from the Proprietor of the Hindu.

390 ❋ **MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the proprietors of the newspaper *The Hindu* are recognised as carrying on business in or having business connection with Travancore within the meaning of the Travancore Income Tax Regulation; and

(*b*) whether the proprietors of *The Hindu* have paid any income tax in Travancore in 1108, 1109 or 1110?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Not for 1108 and 1109. But action has been taken to assess the proprietors of *The Hindu* to income tax for 1110 and 1111.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether the proprietors of *The Hindu* had any business in Travancore before 1110?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): They might have had.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Was any action taken to assess them to income-tax for the period before 1110?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Apparently, they escaped the notice of the assessing authorities.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Did the authorities care to ascertain the income of the proprieters of *The Hindu* for the period prior to 1110?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No, Sir. Even if it is ascertained, it is not assessable now.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the nature of the action so far taken for assessing the proprietors of *The Hindu* for purpose of income-tax?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Government have issued a notification in order to make the income of *The Hindu* proprietors assessable to income-tax.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Has any statement been received from the proprietors of *The Hindu* with regard to their income for the years 1110 and 1111?

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I am not in possession of the information now ; it has to be ascertained from the assessing authorities.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Is it not necesary that the income of the proprietors of *The Hindu* in their business in Travancore, for the years 1110 and 1111, is ascertained so that that may be assessed to income-tax ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Of course, that will be done when the assessment is taken up.

Encroachment in Karikode pakuthi, Todupuzha Taluk.

391 ✻ MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have by order prohibited the public from encroaching upon the land in Survey No. 774/1 in Karikode *pakuthi*, Todupuzha taluk ;

(*b*) if so, the object of such an order ;

(*c*) whether, in spite of such an order, people have already encroached upon the land and made improvements ;

(*d*) whether cases have been taken against such people and, if so, how many : and

(*e*) whether they have sustained any loss by such encroachments ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) To prevent unauthorised encroachments on Government lands.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) A few encroachment cases have already been taken and the cases are pending enquiry. The remaining encroachments are being verified with the aid of a special staff which has not finished its work yet.

(*e*) The information can be had only after all the cases are disposed of according to law.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : May I know the date of the Government Order ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Which is the order that the member is referring to ?

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*)) : The prohibition order.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : 31st May 1929.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : How many cases have been taken up against the encroachers, and when ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Todupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Has any case been disposed of so far ?

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